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Sir:

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
AND CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (e) (1)**

In accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the following references which are listed on the PTO-1449 form attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,911,988 issued to Brownell et al., on June 15, 1999;
2. US Patent No. 5,997,865 issued to Bennett et al., on December 7, 1999; and
3. US Patent No. 5,877,396 issued to Ravetch et al., on March 2, 1999.

PCT International Application No. PCT/US00/12405, filed May 5, 2000, is a foreign counterpart application of the subject application. A Search Report was issued on August 22, 2000 in connection with PCT/US00/12405. A copy of the Search Report is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**. Above listed references 1-3 were

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cited in the Search Report. The subject application is a continuation-in-part of and claims the benefit under U.S.C. §120 of U.S. Serial No. 09/017,976, filed February 3, 1998. The above listed references 1-3 are concurrently being submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 22, 2000, in connection with U.S. Serial No. 09/306,143 filed May 6, 1999. Accordingly, under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d) copies of these references are not required to be provided to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, since they were previously submitted to or cited by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in an application relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. §120.

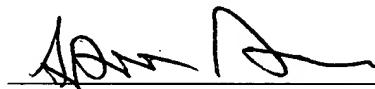
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If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invites the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

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Respectfully submitted,



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